

# MITE BRIGADE

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### A Word from the President

One of the great rewards of the District President's job is seeing our mission grants put to work. At the recent Leadership For Tomorrow retreat in Ocean city, checks were presented to three LWML leaders who will in turn present them to the three ministries located in their zone. Kay and Teresa are Chairman and Co-chairman of DCMARVA



Kay Frantz, Teresa Tester and Karen Updegrave

Zone and Karen is the District Christian Life Chairman. Karen will present the check to the Chemo-Cap ministry at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lexington Park, Kay will present the grant for Bibles for Prisoners to the Women of Good Shepherd in Callao, VA, and Teresa will present the check for Tell the Good News about Jesus to Children at Oxon Hill Lutheran Church. All these grants will help groups share Christ's love in very different ways.

Another reward of the President's job is attending national LWML Board of Directors meetings. In getting to know the other District Presidents (DPs, as we are known) we form some great friendships that will continue long after our terms of office are over. Of course we are the first to hear about new things like programs or resources being promoted by LWML. Some of changes and new things include:

**Quarterly**—now available in its entirety on the LWML website. Good news since the cost of Quarterly subscriptions will go up by .50 in January 2007 due to postal increases

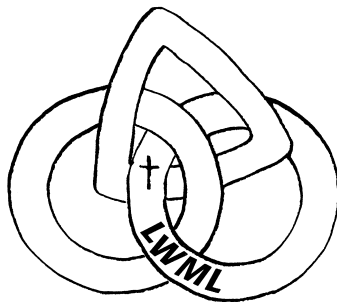
and production costs.

**Gamma Chi Delta (ΓΧΔ)** a new name for the new teen LWML program being developed. Look for more information to come out soon including their own page in the Quarterly.

**GoodSearch** search engine for the internet will provide money to LWML each time the service is used by members who register. Go to [www.GoodSearch.com](http://www.GoodSearch.com) and follow the instructions to sign on.

There is still time to suggest names to the district Nominating Committee for officers to be elected in September. Send names to Tina Jasion or Carol Schmidt ([tjasion1@comcast.net](mailto:tjasion1@comcast.net) or [clschmidt@widowmaker.com](mailto:clschmidt@widowmaker.com))

Sylvia Shives, District President



### Mite Brigade Note

The Mite Brigade is now available to anyone in PDF format by request. You need the Adobe Acrobat Reader to download and print the MB. If you don't have it you can download it free by going to <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html>

Please send an e-mail to President Sylvia if you would like to receive the Mite Brigade by email as a PDF attachment.

Copies will still be sent to all churches at the church address and to networkers unless you request it be sent by email.

### What is [chesapeakedistrictlwml.org](http://chesapeakedistrictlwml.org)?

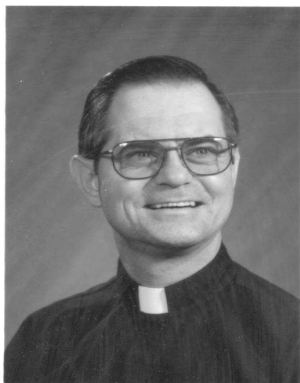
**The name of the new district website!** Under construction by Marge Bruning, and Linda Roscoe, it is coming soon to a computer near you. Keep checking!



*The mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League is to assist each woman of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is enabled to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world.*



## Junior Pastoral Counselor's Words of Wisdom



### Time

On December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year, many of us take a brief moment or two to consider the passage of time. Some of us even stayed awake this past New Year's Eve to watch the ball drop at Times Square in New York. I must ad-

mit, I missed the ball drop by about 25 minutes. Many songs have been written about time. One has the verse, "Time is on my side, Yes it is." Well, so we would like to think. In football we see time count down right on the television screen for each quarter. The NFL even makes a big deal about the final two minutes of each half. Seems that they believe the final two minutes are more important than the other 27 minutes of the half. Interesting note is that college rules don't put more emphasis on those two minutes. Could it be youthful exuberance assumes that there will always be more time? The NBA and high school scoreboards change the time clock in the final minute of the quarter or half to count down in tenths of seconds, as if to squeeze the last precious instant of time into the game. All seem to be reminding us that time is very precious even when it might seem to be ignored

Pastors often see the passage of earthly time from a different perspective. That is in a hospital waiting room or at a bedside in ICU. Most people truly ignore time until they can almost count the time to the end of this life. But that is when we sinful humans see how fleeting and precious it is.

Over the past week I have been struck by the passage of time in a different way. I was walking up from my basement and suddenly realized that even the first step on the stairs could not be replaced. At each step a strange feeling overcame me that I was witnessing the passage of time in my own life.

That time was now gone forever. It's a weird feeling even sitting down to write this letter, that even THAT time is now not retrievable. I was again struck with the realization that it is important to use time appropriately.

Scripture tells us about time. Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 says this about time from the NIV edition:

*"There is a time for everything, and a season*

*for every activity under heaven: <sup>2</sup> a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, <sup>3</sup> a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, <sup>4</sup> a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, <sup>5</sup> a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain, <sup>6</sup> a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, <sup>7</sup> a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, <sup>8</sup> a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace."*

We should not worry about the passage of time nor the natural or human events of this world. Nor should we fear death. Why? The writer of Ecclesiastes continues: <sup>9</sup> *What does the worker gain from his toil?* <sup>10</sup> *I have seen the burden God has laid on men.* <sup>11</sup> *He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the hearts of men; yet they cannot fathom what God has done from beginning to end.* <sup>12</sup> *I know that there is nothing better for men than to be happy and do good while they live.* <sup>13</sup> *That everyone may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all his toil this is the gift of God.* <sup>14</sup> *I know that everything God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it.... .."*

What a message. It gives us our purpose. To enjoy the gifts of God and recognize the source of all the many blessings He has so graciously given us. But that again begs the question, "Why?" Ecclesiastes continues, "... ..*God does it so that men will revere him.*"

God bless you and your families as you enjoy HIS gift of time we know as the year 2006.

To God and to Him alone be the glory, now and always,  
Pastor Dale Skurla

### District Pastor's Wives Retreat

#### ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER IN FAITH

March 24-26, 2006

Roslyn Retreat Center

Richmond, VA

Sister in Christ, Terry Kieschnick will be the leader-presenter for this retreat.

Cost is \$150 for double occupancy and includes lodging, materials and most meals.

**We encourage LWML societies to help underwrite the cost for your Pastor's wife to attend this retreat.** Registration forms were sent to all churches in the district.

## Special Gifts Endowment Fund

### Donations Received

**IN HONOR OF:**

Christian Life Retreat Planners  
 Karen Updegrave  
 Connie Kruelle  
 Natalie Hartwig  
 Pastor Jerry Todd  
 Pastor Dale Skurla

**DONATED BY:**

Sylvia Shives

Edi Collis

Lydia Berrong

**IN MEMORY OF:**

Richard Lyon  
 Capt. Frank Donovan

**DONATED BY:**

Fred and Connie Kruelle

Karen Himes, Pres  
 Good Shepherd Lutheran

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 Women's Missionary L

Gifts since 7-1-2004 to date: \$2,387.00

Principal \$12,731.06  
 Interest 2,398.09

Fund Total \$15,129.15  
 Mary Payne, Special Gifts Chairman



When you want to give a gift and don't know what to give, consider a gift to this fund in honor of someone special for their birthday, anniversary, promotion, or to say thank you. Use the form at the right

### *Grants Available Now!*

The fund has grown to the point where the district can now offer grants from a portion of the accumulated interest. Grants of up to \$300 each are available from the Special Gifts Fund. A request may be made by a society, a zone, or the district to help fund a new project or an existing program. The project should reflect the mission of LWML.

The guidelines are short and the application is a single page. The time between the request and receiving the funds can be as short as one month.

To apply for a grant, contact chairman Mary Payne for specific guidelines and an application.

### Chesapeake District Special Gifts Fund

The Chesapeake District LWML has established a Special Gifts Endowment Fund to receive gifts of money and property, either directly or through bequests under wills or trusts, to further the work of LWML.

Contributions may be made as a memorial, or to honor someone on occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, or simply the glory of God. Come up with your own unique way to **PRAISE THE LORD.**

All contributions will be acknowledged by the Special Gifts Chairman.

Make checks payable to:

**Lutheran Church Extension Fund**  
 Memo: **Chesapeake District LWML**  
**Special Gifts Fund**

Mail to: Mary A. Payne  
 17554 Barron Heights Road  
 Dumfries, VA 22026-2021

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Occasion \_\_\_\_\_

To the Glory of God \_\_\_\_\_

Send acknowledgement of gift (not amount) to

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Donor \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

## Hurricane Katrina—Still With Us

The Christian Community is at the Forefront of Hurricane Relief

The hurricanes of 2005 are over. National news coverage has shifted to other events. Those of us in the Chesapeake District have moved on with our lives, and we figure those poor people in the Gulf Coast states are able to do the same.

They can't.

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita were so devastating that many of the victims are still at loose ends. They are still homeless and jobless, but with God's grace, they are not hopeless.

I was fortunate to be able to witness firsthand the devastation in Mississippi. My 16-year-old daughter and I teamed up with two other volunteers to go to Pass Christian in late November.

We met people who were homeless and without employment. But we were overjoyed to see hope being disseminated through the works of the Christian community. People from across the US and the world have met in the south to do what they can to help. Indeed, faith-based organizations and individual volunteers are responsible for a huge amount of the recovery work. They often get right down to business, avoiding the bureaucracy inherent in government programs.

Our trip was coordinated by a woman who felt the Lord's calling to get involved. She hooked up with the national Methodist church to find specific needs and send teams in. We four were not Methodists but it didn't matter. At the church we stayed in, we jokingly referred to ourselves as the 'heathens'.

We worked side-by-side with groups from Virginia and Ohio, reflecting Christ through our deeds. Our main task was mucking out houses. We wore protective gear (goggles, face masks, boots) and gutted one house and part of another. We tore off sheetrock, pulled nails from studs, ripped down ceilings and ductwork, ripped up tile flooring and trim.

What was left was moldy wood. That was sprayed with a bleach mixture. Once the city inspected the house, it could be repaired

In the greater scheme of things, what we did that week wasn't much, but what we did mattered to two families.

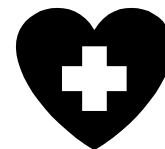
The opportunities to help are endless. Money and supplies are still desperately needed. So are volunteers, who will have to sacrifice work schedules, time, and comfort. The rewards cannot be conveyed on paper; they can only be experienced.

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod is actively assisting in recovery efforts, including LWML. Visit [www.lcms.org](http://www.lcms.org) or talk to your pastor on how to connect your skills with a need. Not all jobs require physical labor, just a willing heart. Many communities and local organizations are also recruiting help and donations. Every little bit helps.

The man coordinating volunteers at the church in Pass Christian said, "Whatever else you do, go home and tell people about this. We need volunteers to keep coming."

A displaced resident told us, "Thank you for coming down. You give people hope."

Pat Fridgen  
District Publication Editor



## KATRINA VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Are you a congregation, youth leader, servant event volunteer and individual who is planning to go to Gulf Coast to volunteer for Hurricane recovery in the coming months? If so, you are highly encouraged to attend a DISASTER RECOVERY TRAINING workshop on SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2006 at St. John's Lutheran Church, 5952 Franconia Road in Alexandria, VA 22310 from 3:00-5:00 pm. The workshop will be facilitated by LDR (Lutheran Disaster Response) VA Coordinator Jan David Tobias who will provide important information to potential volunteers. To register for the workshop, please contact:

Deaconess Liz DeMik at <[disasterhelp@se.lcms.org](mailto:disasterhelp@se.lcms.org)>

or call the SED office at 1-800-637-5723 Ex. 215 by March 16, 2006.

For information on the work of LDR, you may go to their web site at <[ldr.org](http://ldr.org)>.

## HOPE Committee



Check Out the Newest  
LWML Products

*"There are so many day by day, hour by hour changes in our lives. Some bring wonder and joy, while others seem impossible to endure. So, when your day is difficult...when you feel discouraged...or when you think that no one understands, He will be with*

*you and give you the strength to face each day or hour. And amidst the changes, find peace in your loving, unchanging God."*

What a beautiful message to send someone. This message is one of six new **Gentle Greeting Cards** that LWML has just introduced. These cards are a combination of talents of three LWML women. Dee Dee Wescoatt's original watercolor paintings provide rich backgrounds for the original inspiring "Tender Touches" text by Erika Hauer, and the contemporary layout was designed by graphic artist Judy Newell.

All of us are busy, and the convenient 2006 **LWML Pocket Diary** is perfect for keeping track of your schedule. It includes weekly and monthly calendars and provides ample space for noting appointments and significant events. The Pocket Diary also includes important information about the LWML and its activities-meetings, convention dates, mission grants, contact information, and reminders for submitting mites and ordering material. Need to know the liturgical color for a Sunday or season? The Pocket Diary can supply that, too, as well as the Scripture readings for the year, which can also serve as a guide for reflection and personal devotions.

Sonja Baumeister just authored **Journal Gems** a book of twenty-eight new devotions for teens on topics of concern to today's youth. Each "journal entry" is written from a teen's perspective and opens the door for further reflection and discussion, either individually or in a group. Topics include abortion, AIDS, cheating, divorce, gangs, God's will for my life, personal responsibility, pregnancy, self-image, sexuality, spiritual gifts, step-families, war, and witnessing. **Journal Gems** makes a great gift for confirmands. It also provides a devotional resource on current topics for youth workers.

Here's a resource to develop a Teen LWML

in your congregation, school, or zone. The **Teen LWML Packet** contains a brochure on how to start your own group, a sample flyer for publicizing your group, and a list of teen-friendly resources. LWML also offers Teen LWML Brochure for handout or bulletin insertion.

The list of new LWML resources goes on and on. Why not have a group of friends over for lunch or supper and while enjoying dessert "window shop" the new LWML Catalog and see what you and your friends might like to use as a resource for the next time you get together.

Don't forget to call 800-252-LWML (5965) or visit the LWML website at [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org) to order any of these items or request a free 2005-2007 LWML Catalog.

God's Blessings as You Serve,

Michelle Baltrusch, HOPE Chairman

### ***Reach One More For Jesus***

*Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." John 20:21*

**Chesapeake District LWML  
22nd Biennial Convention  
September 22-24, 2006  
Holiday Inn Express—Koger Center  
Richmond, Virginia**

The theme is in keeping with the Synod's goal, through Ablaze, to share the Gospel with 100 million people by 2017. The way we do that is one person at a time.

Northern Virginia is the host zone, but the Richmond site is more cost friendly and the Koger Center is used for many SED events.

Now is the time to begin thinking about who you will send as delegates—each church may send two. Along with the zone chairman and district officers, they will conduct the business of LWML. There will be a new slate of officers to elect and new mission grants to select.

We are blessed to have The Rev. Tich Luu, as the Key-note Speaker. Rev Tich conducts ethnic Chinese ministry in the Suburban DC area. He was a guest speaker at the LWML convention in Tampa in 2005.

The convention music leader will dynamic Dina Vendetti who has been with us for several LWML events and is sure to get you on your feet clapping and singing.

In addition there will be worship, Bible study, banners, interest sessions, exhibits, and LWML products.

**Put the date on your calendar** and set aside September 22-24, 2006 as a weekend devoted to supporting and encouraging the Lord's work through LWML.

## LWML Communications

### Mustard Seeds are Back!

One of my all time favorite things from LWML was The Mustard Seed packets. The old ones were housed in a colored vinyl pocket that contained individual devotional thought with a few passages on them and some questions pertinent to the readings. Each colored packet had a different theme for the devotions.

Marlys Taege wrote in *WINGS*, "Few products have found as many uses or provided as many opportunities for sharing God's Word as the Mustard Seed mini Bible studies. They have been scattered over four continents and translated into many languages. Some have used them as book marks and left them in library books to spread the Word. Their handy size has been great to carry around for personal use or to share with others at hospitals, at work, at restaurants. Many, many people have been touched by these studies."

I used these for many different things, some were given as a whole packet, others were well worn as they stayed in my purse and used along with tips at restaurants, hotels, etc. The old white packet accomplished many wedding gifts for the new couples. Once, while stranded at an airport Mustard Seeds was the only reading material I had and I not only enjoyed these but shared them with a lady next to me. Slipping these inside of bills, cards and other mailings have been a common practice of mine for years, but then the supply dwindled and The Mustard Seed was not in print.

Luckily, for the LWML Mustard Seeds are back! Two new sets have been developed into stand alone devotions. Each set contains 28-32 Bible – based devotions accentuated with inspiring photos.

The new sets are *Living in Prayer* and *Living in Joy*. More sets will be forthcoming and I am sure will be available at our convention. Hopefully, your zone spring rallies will have them for sale. If not, they can be ordered from the Catalog.

Needless to say, my wallet of *Living in Joy* has already been used. And I am glad Mustard Seeds are back!

Marge Bruning  
Communications Director

## COG, YWR, MMV

### 2006 Leadership Conference Conversations of Grace

Sponsored by Southeastern District- LCMS,  
Lutheran Laymen's League and LWML  
**August 4-6, 2006**

Ever wonder what you should be saying about Jesus?  
Ever say nothing because you didn't know what to say?

**Strengthen your outreach skills...**  
Workshops, workshops, & workshops  
Special guest presenters/speakers  
Dr. Richard Bimler and Rev. Kenneth Klaus



Young Women Committee Chairman Debbie Lennox (center) with YWRs Amy Sadera and Nancy Lansing. At the recent Leadership for Tomorrow retreat Nancy and Amy led a session on Reaching Younger Women and Deb led a segment on "Finding and Using your Spiritual Gifts."

**Debbie Lennox** and **Abeba Tzeggai** have been accepted into the MMV Class of 2006. Debbie serves as Young Women's Coordinator for the district and is also in training as a deaconess. The two missions complement the training she will receive. Abeba is part of the Eritrean ministry in Alexandria, VA and served on the (national) LWML Heart to Heart Sisters task force whose mission is to be an advocate and plan programs for an ongoing effort within LWML to encourage and ensure the participation of ethnic women in our churches. They will travel to St. Louis March 8-12 for MMV training.

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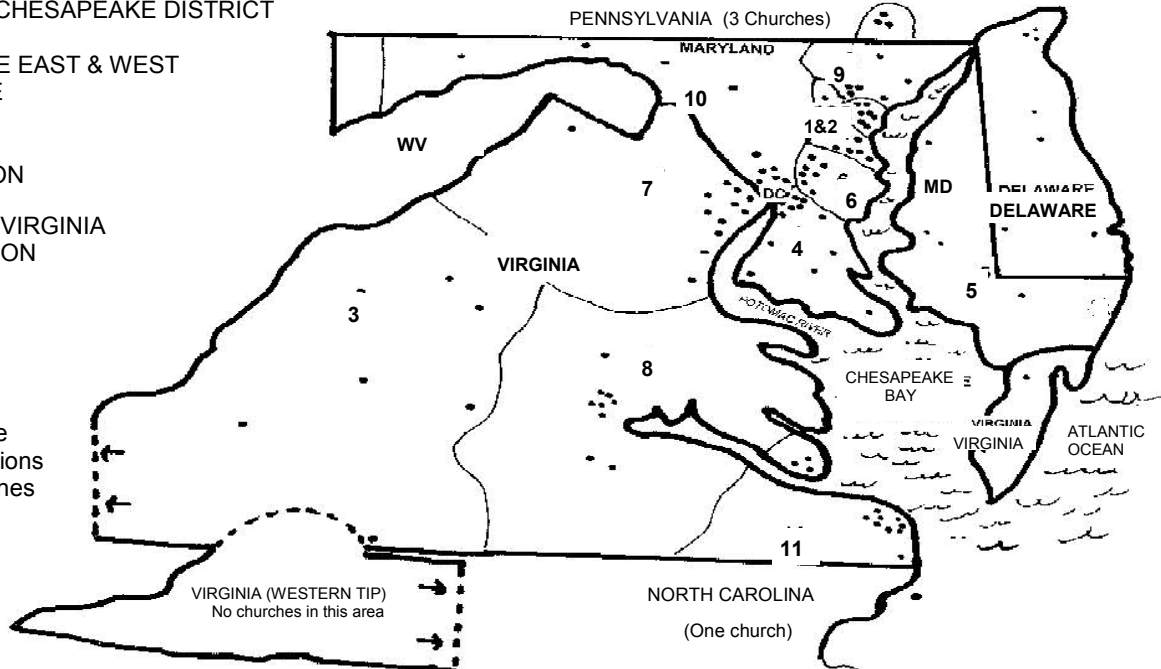
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## Zone News

### ZONES OF THE CHESAPEAKE DISTRICT

- 1 & 2 BALTIMORE EAST & WEST
- 3 BLUE RIDGE
- 4 DCMARVA
- 5 DELMARVA
- 6 MARYLANTON
  
- 7 NORTHERN VIRGINIA
- 8 OLD DOMINION
- 9 PENMAR
- 10 POTOMAC
- 11 TIDEWATER

Dots represent the approximate locations of the 100+ churches in the district



Many people have requested a map showing the zones of the Chesapeake district. In addition to the map, here is a bit more information about our district. Of the 40 LWML zones around the country, Chesapeake has members from more states than any other district. Our churches are in five states plus the District of Columbia. Due to our unique geographical features we have many members from West Virginia as well. But there are no churches in what is referred to as the eastern panhandle squeezed in between MD and VA. (WV is in the Ohio District) Two western Maryland churches belong to the Eastern District which covers western PA and NY. You can see that the majority of churches are clustered in the Washington-Northern Virginia-Baltimore corridor. Other smaller clusters are around Richmond and the Norfolk-Virginia Beach area. The rest of the churches are widely scattered over the states.

### 2006 Zone Rallies

- March 18 Old Dominion -Nazareth, Hopewell, VA
- March 18 N VA - Prince of Peace, Springfield, VA
- March 25 DCMARVA - Our Savior, Bryans Rd, MD
- April 1 Baltimore E-W - St Paul, Catonsville, MD
- April 22 PenMar - St John Blenheim, Long Green, MD
- April 22 Potomac - Calvary, Silver Spring, MD
- April 22 Tidewater - Prince of Peace, Newport N, VA
- April 29 DelMarVa - Our Savior, Rehoboth Beach, DE
- May 13 Blue Ridge - Christ the King, Danville, VA
- May 20 Maryland - Holy Cross, Greenbelt, MD

*Attend your Zone Rally—Support your Zone Leaders*

## Zone Leaders

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March through May Zone Rallies—See page 8 for complete listing  
April 29, 2006 - District Board of Directors meeting, Calvary Lutheran , Silver Spring, MD  
May 5-7, 2006 - Southeastern District-LCMS 34th Convention, Norfolk, VA  
August 4-6, 2006 - Southeastern District “Conversations of Grace”, Richmond, VA  
September 22-24, 2006 - Chesapeake District LWML Convention, Richmond, VA  
June 21-24, 2007 - LWML Convention, Sioux Falls, SD

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